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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1-6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Currently amended) A mileage communication system for a vehicle comprising:

a user interface device capable of generating a request signal;

a processing unit capable of calculating cumulative mileage of the vehicle and encoding the cumulative mileage into a code in response to the request signal; and

an audible output device in circuit communication with the processing unit and capable of communicating the cumulative mileage in the form of a signal in response to the code,

A mileage system of claim 6, wherein the audible output device comprises an ABS modulator valve.

- 8-13 (Canceled)
- 14. (Currently amended) A method for communicating vehicle mileage information to a vehicle operator comprising:

calculating cumulative mileage of the vehicle;

generating a request signal with a user interface device;

encoding the cumulative mileage into a code by an electronic control unit; and

outputting the cumulative mileage in the form of a signal by an audible output device in response to the code generated by the electronic control unit,

The method of claim 13, wherein the audible output device comprises an ABS modulator valve.

- 15-21 (Canceled)
- 22. (Currently amended) A mileage communication system for a vehicle comprising; user interface means for generating a request signal;

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processing means for calculating the cumulative mileage of the vehicle and encoding the cumulative mileage into a code in response to the request signal; and

output means, responsive to the code generated by the processing means, for outputting the cumulative mileage in the form of a signal, The mileage communication system of claim 21, wherein the audible output means comprises an ABS modulator valve.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently amended) A mileage communication system for a vehicle comprising; user interface means for generating a request signal;

processing means for calculating the cumulative mileage of the vehicle and encoding the cumulative mileage into a code in response to the request signal; and

output means, responsive to the code generated by the processing means, for outputting the cumulative mileage in the form of a signal,

The mileage communication system of claim 15, wherein the user interface means comprises a vehicle brake pedal.

25. (Canceled)